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by deleting subdivision (a)(1) of Section 3 and substituting instead the following:

(1) As of July 1, 2018, the existing membership of the board of trustees of the University of Tennessee is vacated and reconstituted to consist of one (1) ex officio voting member, who shall be the commissioner of agriculture; ten (10) voting members appointed by the governor; and one (1) nonvoting student member appointed pursuant to subsection (a)(3).

AND FURTHER AMEND by adding the following as a new subdivision (a)(3) to the amendatory language of Section 3:

- (A) One (1) member shall be a student at a University of Tennessee institution who shall be selected and appointed in a manner determined by the board of trustees. The student member shall be selected as soon as practicable for the initial appointment and, for all subsequent appointments, no later than May 31 of each year.
- (B) Beginning July 1, 2018, the student member position shall rotate annually among the institutions of the University of Tennessee, according to the following sequence: University of Tennessee Health Science Center; University of Tennessee, Knoxville; University of Tennessee at Martin; and University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.
- (C) Each student member shall serve a term of one (1) year, beginning July 1 of the year of appointment and ending the following June 30. Each student member must be enrolled full time at the University of Tennessee institution from which the student is appointed throughout the student member's term of appointment; provided, that a student member shall not be required to be enrolled during any summer semester, and a

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student member who graduates during the spring semester of the student member's term may serve out the remainder of the student member's term.

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting the following language from subsection (b) of Section 3:

- (b) The following individuals are prohibited from serving as an appointed member of the board of trustees for so long as they hold the office or position:
- (1) Employees of any public institution of higher education; and substituting instead the following:
 - (b) The following individuals are prohibited from serving as an appointed member of the board of trustees, or a committee of the board, for so long as they hold the office or position:
 - (1) Employees of any public institution of higher education; except the student member appointed pursuant to this section and the faculty member appointed to a committee pursuant to § 49-9-206;

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting subdivision (c)(1) of Section 3 and substituting instead the following:

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(A) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection (c), the ten (10) members of the board of trustees appointed by the governor pursuant to subsection (a) must be confirmed by joint resolution of the senate and the house of representatives prior to beginning a term of office.

(B) If either house fails to confirm the appointment of a board member by the governor within ninety (90) calendar days after the general assembly next convenes in regular session following such appointment, the appointment terminates on the day following the ninetieth calendar day.

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting subdivision (c)(5) of Section 3 and substituting instead the following:

(5) All gubernatorial appointed members shall be subject to removal from the board of trustees by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of each house of the general assembly for misconduct, incapacity, or neglect of duty. Such removal shall be by passage of a joint resolution by the senate and the house of representatives.

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting subsection (d) of Section 7 and substituting instead the following:

(d)

- (1) The standing committee with responsibility for oversight of academic affairs and student success shall include one (1) voting full-time faculty member of a University of Tennessee institution. The faculty member shall be selected and appointed in a manner determined by the board of trustees as soon as practicable for the initial appointment and, for all subsequent appointments, no later than May 31 of each year.
- (2) The faculty member position shall rotate among the institutions of the University of Tennessee in a manner determined by the board of trustees. Each faculty member shall serve a one-year term, beginning on July 1 of the year of appointment and ending the following June 30.
- (3) Each faculty member must maintain employment with the University of Tennessee institution and full-time faculty status throughout the faculty member's term.

- (4) The student member of the board of trustees shall be appointed to, and be a voting member of, the standing committee with responsibility for oversight of academic affairs and student success.
- (e) Nothing in this part authorizes the restructure or reorganization of the University of Tennessee system in a manner that removes a campus or institute from the system, unless such restructure or reorganization is authorized specifically by statute.

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting subdivision (f)(1)(B) in 49-9-501 of Section 12 and substituting instead the following:

(B) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection (f), all appointments of the board members by the governor shall be confirmed by joint resolution prior to the commencement of the term of office to which the member is appointed.